

Showers tonight and tomorrow; cooler tomorrow.

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GREAT BATTLE ON AT MUKDEN

With One Hundred Thousand Men Kuroki Attacks Kuropatkin's Right Flank—Positions of Defensive Forces Inferior.

JAPS OUTNUMBER RUSSIANS MORE THAN THREE TO ONE

Attempt to Capture Northeast Forts at Port Arthur Repulsed by Defenders—Water Supply Besiegers' Objective Point.

LONDON, Sept. 20.—A dispatch received here says that a great battle between the Japanese and Russians has commenced at Mukden. Kuroki, the dispatch says, after a wide turning movement, crossed the Hun-ho River and attacked the Russian right flank with one hundred thousand troops.

The total Japanese force is three times greater than that of the Russians. The conditions in the vicinity of Mukden are almost identical with those at Liao-Yang, except that the Russian positions are inferior.

JAPS ATTACK PORT ARTHUR.

LONDON, Sept. 20.—The Chefoo correspondent of the Reuter Telegram Company reports that a general attack on Port Arthur began before daybreak yesterday and continued till nightfall.

It is believed the object of the Japanese was to capture the main forts to the northeast.

ATTEMPT TO TAKE WATER WORKS.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 20.—A report received from General Stoessel, commanding at Port Arthur, states that on September 16, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, a Japanese battalion attacked the aqueduct redoubt, but were repulsed.

They were re-enforced and made a second attack, but were again repulsed with heavy loss by rifle and machine gun firing.

Successes of Russians Against Japanese Front

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 20.—Kuropatkin reports that a reconnaissance on Saturday showed a fortified Japanese position, held by one infantry brigade with twelve guns, west of Blagovodsk. He further reports that a Cossack patrol attacked a Japanese pack horse convoy and seized thirty horses with loads.

Japs Cross Taitse.

The greater part of the enemy's forces at Liao-Yang, he adds, have now crossed the River Taitse. A telegram received from Harbin this morning gives details of the operations of General Rennekampf and Samsonoff on Saturday last.

Inveigled Into Ambush Cossacks Annihilated

LONDON, Sept. 20.—Telegrams from Shanghai report that some Russian battalions attacked the Japanese on the heights east of Yumtsehsan, northeast of Yantai, on the night of September 18, but were repulsed with heavy losses.

A Berlin rumor represents the engagement as a serious disaster for the Russians, a large force of Cossacks being ambushed and almost wiped out.

General May Have Been Killed. Shanghai reiterates that General Mischenko has been killed, but gives no details.

Everything is reported to be quiet at Mukden, whence it is stated that fighting is expected in the neighborhood of Simling. ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 20.—A message has been received from Kuropatkin reporting that his army is engaged in

The former, after driving the Japanese outposts back, occupied Huanling. Samsonoff also repulsed the Japanese and occupied Tsagan, four versts distant from the point occupied by Rennekampf.

Hot Firing.

There was some hot firing during these movements. For example: Four companies of Japanese advanced near Vanuopote. Met by terrific fire from two of Samsonoff's guns, they were finally forced to withdraw.

A reconnaissance, says the telegram, has revealed the fact that a strong Japanese force holds fortified positions in the direction of Vanuopote.

Important reconnaissances, which have resulted in heavy fighting and many casualties.

Japs' Intentions Veiled.

BERLIN, Sept. 20.—A dispatch to the "Lokal Anzeiger" from Mukden says that, while it is not doubted that the Japanese intend to advance, there is absolute uncertainty regarding the direction in which they will move, whether by the eastern road from Ponschu, the Imperial road from Liao-Yang, or along the Liao River.

Their advanced posts extend from Changtau, on the Hun River, by way of Shihho, to Hsiaoakutun. It is very difficult to get a glimpse behind this line.

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RUSSIAN SORTIE MEETS REPULSE

LONDON, Sept. 20.—A dispatch from Tokyo reports that five Russian battalions made a sortie from Port Arthur on Sunday afternoon and attempted to recapture the Etsehan fort.

After severe fighting for several hours the Russians were repulsed with heavy losses.

This story is not confirmed. The Chefoo correspondent of the "Telegraph" says that letters from their husbands received here by the wives of officers at Port Arthur say that the naval guns at Liao-Yang are nearly worn out by incessant firing.

It is added that a ship recently ran in the blockade, bringing a submarine boat in sections. Nobody in Port Arthur understands submarine boats, but some of the officers and crew of the Persiev volunteered to operate the craft.

The weather has suddenly changed and become intensely cold. The Port Arthur garrison is undergoing severe hardships.

CENSORSHIP IS LESS RIGID

TOKYO, Sept. 20.—Field Marshal Oyama has issued orders to the Japanese commanders in Manchuria to the effect that if the rule regarding military secrets is not infringed they are to extend frank and candid treatment to foreign military attaches and correspondents, in

harmony with the spirit of the Imperial declaration of war, which was based on the principles of justice, without regard to race or religion, Japan's sole object being the safety of the country and the spread of civilization in the interests of all nations.

M. Sazonoff, leader of the constitutional party, accompanied by M. Yokoi, a member of the diet, started for South China, seeking to restore his health.

It is reported that the Korean crown prince is seriously ill with scarlet fever. The prize court at Sasebo has condemned part of the cargoes of the steamers Siping and Peking, which were captured outside of Port Arthur.

The "Nichi Nichi" says it learns that the authorities intend to change the conscription law, extending the term of the second reserves.

The "Jiji Shimpo" says that heavy rains impede the Russian retirement from Mukden.

It is rumored that the Chinese government of Mukden will be deported.

STORES TAKEN AT LIAO-YANG

LONDON, Sept. 20.—Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister, today made public a report from Field Marshal Oyama giving a list of further stores captured when Liao-Yang fell into Japanese hands.

Oyama reports that he obtained 50,000 bushels of grain, 500 tons of fuel, and other stores not given in detail.

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GENTLEMAN-ON-THE-WALL—DE-light-ED

TWO POLICEMEN TO FACE CHARGES

Allen Harris Wants Them Dismissed.

WAS WRONGFULLY ARRESTED

So He Says, and Accuses McMinsh and Hollorn of Using Him Roughly.

Privates McMinsh and Hollorn, of the Metropolitan police force, were today charged with having made an "illegal and unjustified arrest," and with being off their beats during duty hours. Their removal from the force is asked.

The action was taken before District Commissioner West by Allen Harris, a son of Edwin Harris, of Harris & Shaffer, jewelers. Allen Harris was accompanied to the District Building by his father and a number of friends.

To Be Given Consideration. Commissioner West immediately assured Mr. Harris that the matter would be taken up at once before the police trial board.

Mr. Harris charges that Hollorn and McMinsh arrested him shortly after midnight of September 2 at Pennsylvania Avenue and Nineteenth Street north-west, only a few yards from his home. He says he was charged with disorderly conduct "and various other misdemeanors, all of which charges the officers failed to substantiate in court. Judge O'Neal dismissed the case, without hearing any of my witnesses."

Numerous Complaints.

The document concludes as follows: "Now, I hereby charge both of the officers with illegal and unjustified arrest, ungentlemanly and rough treatment in the station-house, also with being off their beat at the time. Officer McMinsh being three squares away from his beat and leaving same unpatrolled by him for over an hour."

"I furthermore charge Officer McMinsh with attempting to intimidate one of my witnesses, and request that both he and Officer Hollorn be removed from the force, as I consider them unfit to fill any position of trust or perform any duty."

Will Substantiate Statements.

"I am prepared to substantiate all the facts as stated herein, both by the records of the court and by reputed witnesses."

Edwin Harris, when seen this afternoon, declined to discuss the case. "It will all come out in the trial," was all he would say.

BOY WHILE PRAYING SHOT BY HIS FATHER

NEW ORLEANS, La., Sept. 20.—While he was saying the Lord's Prayer, preparatory to retiring, Wilmet Mohan, twelve years old, was shot and seriously wounded by his father, William Mohan. The parent came home drunk, and, as he entered the boy's bedroom, he saw him praying. Without warning he began firing.

BUTCHERS DESIRE TO FORM COMBINE

Leagues of East and West Work Toward Union.

WOULD FIX STANDARD PRICE AT EMERGENCY HOSPITAL

Conference Between James Hoffman and J. H. Shaffer in Which Plans Were Mapped Out.

Plans are being perfected for the consolidation of the Eastern and Western Leagues of the Retail Butchers' and Meat Dealers' Association.

At a meeting held recently in Brooklyn by representatives of both branches of the association this contemplated amalgamation was the chief subject under discussion, and the plans submitted met with so much favor from both leagues that it is probable the union will take place within a short time.

Should this be done, and it is morally certain that it will, it would mean much to the dealer and still more to the consumer. One of the chief motives of the association in getting its two branches into closer touch is to bring about lower prices for a better grade of meat than is now being sold under ordinary conditions.

Question Is Complicated. To the layman the meat question is very much complicated, because of various conceptions placed upon it by as many self-appointed authorities. But the fact stands that if once a standard price could be placed upon meat, and the public could understand that it was fixed for good, one great problem would have been disposed of.

It was for this express purpose that the meeting in Brooklyn was called, and from the degree of favor on all sides it is practically assured that before any other year rolls round Eastern and Western dealers will have consolidated.

James Hoffman, of Washington, president of the Western League, has just returned to his home from Brooklyn, where he went to attend the conference. Previous to that Mr. Hoffman had taken an extensive trip through the country in the interest of the new project to combine the two leagues and report to his associates in Brooklyn that the proposed plan, so far as it placed upon meat, are looked upon favorably by Western dealers.

The matter has gone far enough to have been placed in the hands of a committee which will complete all arrangements and report at the next annual conference of the joint league, which will be held in August, 1906, in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Hoffman and Shaffer Confer. Before the close of the meeting a long conference was held between Mr. Hoffman and J. H. Shaffer, president of the Eastern League, in which plans for the proposed consolidation were mapped out. There are now two sets of officers, one for each league, but next year, should the present plans materialize, one roll will be elected for the new combine.

In addition to the establishment of a standard price for all meats, there are a number of other advantages which will be made possible for dealers and consumers alike. Just what these are to be, last night, but he gave the assurance that they will tend to do away for all time with the periodical and, it is said, needless fears of a meat panic.

ITALIAN JUMPS OUT HIGH WINDOW

Dashed to Death on the Pavement Below.

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HILL AND CLANS TO NAME TICKET

Saratoga Again Resounds With Political Cheers as New York's Democratic Hosts Assemble.

IT IS STILL AN OPEN RACE, SAYS THE PARTY'S LEADER

Temporary Chairman Hornblower Addresses Convention and Scores Republicans.

Side Lights on Great Gathering.

Here is a flashlight view of the field as the convention opens. Any man whom Judge Parker suggests is likely to be the party's candidate for governor.

So far he is silent except as for a hint of an expression for a compromise.

SHEPARD—Opponents of McCarren like him. He has few bitter enemies other than the Brooklyn leader.

GROUT—Strongly backed by McCarren. Boom skillfully managed. He would make peace. Rumors of combine with Tammany.

GAYNOR—Believed to be Parker's favorite. McCarren says mention of name is absurd.

STANCHFIELD—Under a general attack Hill is weakening in his support and may throw his strength to Herrick.

GEORGE M. PALMER—Tammany would like to see him destroy the Hill forces.

HERRICK—The legatee of the Stanchfield boom, but some of the Stanchfield men in the break will go Groat.

JEROME—Many like him, especially the up-State delegates. Big leaders fear he would not be tractable.

THE OTHERS—Not worth speaking of just now, but there might be a dark horse among them.

SARATOGA CONVENTION UNDER WAY.

CONVENTION HALL, SARATOGA, N. Y., Sept. 20.—A State convention, in many respects the most remarkable in the recent annals of the Empire State Democracy, was called to order shortly after noon today.

Crowds filled the famous scene of other State conventions; flags waved from the galleries in the hands of delegates and sightseers; the bands played martial airs. Party leaders received round after round of cheers as they entered the hall and marched down the aisles.

Enthusiasm seemed to have been stimulated by the free-for-all character of the gubernatorial contest and the possibility that, for the first time in many years, a nominee might be selected by the delegates upon the floor of a Democratic convention.

The hall began to fill with delegations and visitors half an hour before noon. Many women found seats in gallery and pit, their bright dresses enlivening the scene.

Leaders on the Platform.

Upon the rostrum sat 200 men. Towering over them two great pictures of Candidate Parker were spread, flanked on either side by clusters of American patriotic party during the past two administrations of the present incumbent. My respect as a citizen for the office of the chief magistrate of this State compels me to refrain from repeating the caustic criticisms made upon him in his dual capacity of chairman of the Republican State committee and governor of the State of New York, in this hall only a week ago by certain delegates to the Republican State convention. The improper conduct of the chief magistrate of the State is a subject posed to be the servant of all the people as it is a subject of the State, and the functions of a partisan State chairman, calls for rebuke.

Suppression of Facts.

To charge the panic of 1893 to the Wilson tariff of 1894 is not only a willful suppression of facts, but is a manifest perversion of the truth. It would seem as if even a kindergarten would see in protest against an argument which, which yet is seriously advanced by statesmen supporting the platform of the Republican party. In other words, the claim is seriously made and urged, and apparently accepted and believed by thousands of our fellow-citizens, that something done in 1894 was the direct and immediate cause of what happened in 1893—the year before.

"The history of Republican Congresses has been a history of reckless dealing with the finances of the country and of wasteful extravagance."

So far as the affairs of this State are concerned, we believe that the people of this State are thoroughly dissatisfied with the conduct of affairs by the Republican party during the past two administrations of the present incumbent. My respect as a citizen for the office of the chief magistrate of this State compels me to refrain from repeating the caustic criticisms made upon him in his dual capacity of chairman of the Republican State committee and governor of the State of New York, in this hall only a week ago by certain delegates to the Republican State convention. The improper conduct of the chief magistrate of the State is a subject posed to be the servant of all the people as it is a subject of the State, and the functions of a partisan State chairman, calls for rebuke.

Nominated by Machine.

"The candidate nominated by the Republican convention for the high office of governor of this State, however estimable he may be in his personal capacities, was nominated by such methods and pursuant to personal dictation, and represents the most objectionable of Republican machine methods and Republican personal dictation in the State of New York. The man to be nominated by this convention should be, and we believe he will be, a man who will commend himself to the voters of this State as a man who will be his own master, who will stand for honest and efficient government, and who will represent no faction, and against any other faction, and who will have no object to subvert, if elected, but the welfare of the people of the State as a whole, regardless of faction and of party."

"The Democratic party in this campaign is proud of its national candidates. The Democratic party in New York is particularly proud of its candidate for President, Alton B. Parker, who is a man for whom we need make no apology. The party stands today upon the great principles represented by the platform of its national convention at St. Louis. Past differences have been forgotten, and the party stands reunited in common effort for the accomplishment of its common purposes for the welfare of the nation. We believe that with its candidate and with its platform it ought to succeed in the coming election, and that its success will result in an administration which will redound to the credit of the party and to the welfare of our country."

Speaker Cheered.

Mr. Hornblower's address was frequently interrupted by applause. When he praised the administration of Grover Cleveland there was a perfect storm of cheers and at the mention of the name of the present standard-bearer, Alton Brooks Parker, the crowd shouted and yelled and stamped their feet for nearly five minutes.

There were cheers when Mr. Hornblower attacked the present administration, more cheers when he compared what he called its high-handed regime with that of Democratic administration. At the conclusion of this speech minor matters were disposed of, and the convention took a recess until 11 a. m. tomorrow morning.

Situation Unchanged.

The gubernatorial situation is unchanged and no one can tell with any

WEATHER REPORT.

Conditions continue unsettled and showery over the eastern half of the country with somewhat higher temperatures, except in New England, where it is cooler. The West is covered by a marked high area with a cool wave, the temperatures ranging from 8 degrees to 22 degrees below the seasonal average.

The cool wave will move east and southeast tonight and Wednesday, reaching the middle Atlantic States and New England and the interior of the south Atlantic and east Gulf States during Wednesday.

THE TEMPERATURE.

9 a. m. 69
12 noon 74
1 p. m. 75
2 p. m. 78

DOWNTOWN TEMPERATURE.

(Registered at Allen's Standard thermometer.)
9 a. m. 70
12 noon 75
1 p. m. 78
2 p. m. 82

THE SUN.

Sun sets today 5:04
Sun rises tomorrow 5:45

TIDE TABLE.

High tide today 5:14 p. m.
Low tide today 11:42 p. m.
High tide tomorrow 5:32 a. m., 6:00 p. m.
Low tide tomorrow 12:10 p. m.